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GLASS OF FASHION

MOLD OF FORM

Special Cablegram to The Star.

PARIS, September 25.-Reports from Marienbad are to the effect that there are no more persistent watchers for King Edword's daily appearance at the waters of Marienbad than the representatives of certain French and Austrian tailoring firms. His majesty serves as a model for some of hte best Paris and Vienna houses, both cities claiming to set fashions in meas attire. One of the costumes in which the king apeared on the promenade at Marienbad has created a sensation. He wore a dark blue short coat, white trousers, gray top hat, brown shoes and colored shirt with a double collar. Before the day was out there was a rush to the telegraph office, and King Edward had the sincerest flattery paid him by orders being wired to the Austrian capital for exact copies. One firm received seventeen and another ten of these orders with frantic instructions to rush them off to Marienbad as soon as they were completed. Other orders were received here in Parls equally large in numbers and demanded with equal impetuosity. and if all who have ordered them wear them on the daily promenade there will be a surprising uniformity about male dress at this watering place. The continental dandles did not wholly approve of the costume, but King Edward is their law. Generally on the continent it is considered that brown shoes and double collars are not quite good form except when traveling. His majesty has now broken this prejudic male attire as was the Empress Eugenie in her happy days for the opposite sex, and now sets the fashion for all fashionable

SETTLERS MURDERED.

Active Campaign Likely in Darkest

Special Cablegram to The Star. BERLIN, September 25 .- A succession of individual murders of settlers in German East Africa are reported, and in many quarters the prospect of a long and costly campaign are being reckoned. The character of the situation is indicated by the announcement that the resignation of Maj. Gen. Leutwain of his appointment as governor of the colony has been accepted and that the governor designate, Herr von Lindequist, late German consul general at Cape Town, will assume office during the month of October.

There is a tendency to co-brate the impending return of Gen. von Trotha as a triumphant demonstration of the force of public opinion, nevertheless it may be doubted whether, but for the commander.

IN BIENNIAL SESSION

SUPREME LODGE. IMPROVED ORDER OF K. OF P.

Convention Held at Pythian Lodge Hall, No. 623 Louisana Avenue-

Local committee.

The blennial convention of the Supreme Lodge of the Improved Order of Knights of Pythias opened this morning at 9 o'clock. The convention is being held at Pythian Lodge Hall, No. 623 Louisiana avenue. The the Indian railways three trains are to be first session was called to order by Supreme Commander J. L. Bieler of Indianapolis, respondents of the press, of whom there Ind. Representatives are in attendance are likely to be an unusually large numfrom the grand lodges of New York and ber, about a dozen native newspapers hav-Indiana and lodges in Alabama, Illinois, ing applied to be represented, as well as Lissouri, Kansas, Ohio, Michigan, Connecti- London and Anglo-Indian journals. The cut, New Jersey, West Virginia, Maryland second train will hold the royal party, and the existing three lodges in the District of Columbia. Over eighty representa- and servants. tives are present, and in addition there are not representatives to the Supreme Lodge. Supreme Commander J. L. Bleler, who is a prominent Indianapolis business man,

said this afternoon: "The most important



Capt. Charles T. Schwegler, Supreme Prelate and Inspector General. (Photo by Edward Block.)

business of the present session is to amend the rates in our mortuary fund. There will be extended discussion of the subject, but we shall probably end by adopting the rates of the fraternal congress, at least approximately, in this respect following the precedents set by similar fraternities." Capt. Bieler has been supreme command-

er for two terms, and is not a candidate for re-election, although there exists a strong sentiment in favor of his continuing in of-The Standing Committees.

The following are the standing committees of the Supreme Lodge which are now considering the various propositions before the Supreme Lodge:

Committee on law-Geo. Seldensticker, Indianapolis, Ind., chairman; Oscar Brede, Detroit, Mich.: J. L. Bieler, Indianapolis, Ind. Committee on finance—Chas. J. Schmidt, Indanapolis, Ind., chairman; F. W. Rossberg, Syracuse, N. Y.; John Heinlein, Indianapolis, Ind.

Committee on insurance—Charles T. Schwegler, Washington, D. C., chairman; Dr. C. R. Schaefer, Indianapolis, Ind.; Wolfgang Bauer, Syracuse, N. Y.

Committee on state of order—Dr. Geo. C. E. Vogler, Baltimore, Md., chairman; C. Schaeffer Youngstown, Ohio; Julius Schmidt, Detroit, Mich.; Louis Schau, Wheeling, W. Va.; Louis Glaser, Baltimore, Committee on written and unwritten work -Chas. H. Klee, New York city, N. Y

Committee on dispensations and charters— Otto Mueller, Baltimore, Md., chairman; Geo. D. Skamper, Chicago, Ill.; Gotthart Schneider, Detroit, Mich. Committee on military rank—Joseph R. Forbes, Indianapolis, chairman; Tobias Roch, Indianapolis; Charles Wasmundt, De-

Committee on appeals and grievances—Albert Buettner, Baltimore, Md., chairman; Michael Stein, Wheeling, W. Va.; J. Baer,

Committee on printing—E. F. Knodel, Indianapolis, chairman; Hy. Rosenthal, Evansville, Ind.; Geo. E. Koehler, Chi-

cago, Ill.

The Washington members of the order have exerted themselves to prepare an appropriate reception and entertainment to

the visiting supreme representatives and have done their work exceedingly well. Inspector General Schwegler.

Inspector General C. T. Schwegler of the Pythian Guard, the military branch of the new order, is chairman of the local general | ing has been revolutionized in recent years. committee on arrangements, which is composed as follows: Chairman, Capt. C. T. Schwegler; vice chairman, W. Scott West; treasurer, Louis Brandt; Henry Jaeger, Wolfgang Ruckdaeschel, Charles Graefe, Alfred Worch, J. Andrew Schwegler, Louis Brandt, Karl Egolf, Christian Beilstein, John Kraft, Jacob Brueger, Paul Bachschmid, Fritz Brugger, W. Scott West, William Schorr, Joseph Murphy, H. Morthey, H. Marche, H. Marche liam Schorr, Joseph Murphy, H. Merriam, Dr. Lewis Walker and H. M. Sears.

Chairman Schwegler of the arrangements ommittee is both inspector general of the Pythian guard and supreme prelate of the Supreme Lodge. Other prominent Washington members of the Supreme Lodge of the Improved Pythians are J. A. Schueger, supreme inner guard; Jacob Bruegger, su-preme outer guard, and Wolfgang Ruckdoeschal, supreme representative. Upon the conclusion of the morning ses-

sion today the Supreme Lodge adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow. This afternoon the representatives are enjoying a special "sight-seeing" car excursion around Washington. Company A of the Pythian Guard and the visiting ladies are accompanying the members of the Supreme Lodge.

A banquet will be given at Saengerbund

Hall tomorrow evening to the Supreme Lodge by the local members of the order. The committee in charge of this event is as follows: Chairman, Jacob Bruegger; Paul Bachschmid, Wolfgang Ruckdaeschel, Louis Brandt, W. Scott West, Dr. Lewis N. Walker. Toastmaster. Dr. Lewis N. Walker; assistant toastmaster, Paul Bach-schmid.

Outline of Principles.

The principles of this order, an offshoot of the old order of Knights of Pythias, are thus announced in the pamphlet prepared by the local committee, which made the arrangements for the present session: "Recognizing the universality of human

brotherhood, its organization is designed to embrace the world within its jurisdiction. Intended solely and only to disseminate the great principles of liberty, friendship and benevolence, nothing of a sectarian or political character is permitted within its por-tals. Liberty in religion, liberty in busitals. Liberty in religion, liberty in business, obedience to law and loyalty to government, are its cardinal principles. Our order was instituted to uplift the fallen, to soften down the asperities of life, and by liberty, friendship and benevolence bind men of all nationalities and opinions in one men of all nationalities and opinions in one sent to his majesty, who signed it and sent it to the kaiser as a Christmas card. common brotherhood. Its laws are reason and equity. Its cardinal doctrines inspire purity of thought, love of the truth and loyalty to the government under which we live and a reverence for the emblem (red. live and a reverence for the emblem (red, white and blue) which we all love and which symbolizes liberty. Its intention is peace on earth and good will to man."

Supreme Commander Bieler and a number of other leading officers are stopping at the Hotel Engel, while others, including the officers of the Pythian Guard, are at the Hotel Montrose and the Golden Eagle House. The Supreme Lodge will complete its business Wednesday.

Mr. Loomis Acting as Secretary. Assistant Secretary Loomis of the State

ROYAL PARTY WILL HAVE LARGE SUITE

SIMLA, September 25.-The party accompanying the Prince and Princess of Wales on their forthcoming tour through India will be of considerable size, though not so large as that taken by his majesty in 1875. Apart from Indian attendants there are likely to be 123 persons to be accommodated. In traversing employed. The first will contain the corand the third will be taken up by baggage

Inhere, as at present arranged, will be the first place of formal arrival in the Punjab, and it will be reached by the Prince and Princess of Wales at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28. At the rallway sta-tion the principal officers will be presented. The party will then drive to government house by way of the fort and the Anarkali Gardens in order to afford the people a first general view of the royal cavalcade, and in particular for the benefit of the Punjab chiefs and durbaris, who will be assembled near the fort to greet their royal highnesses. The procession will be stop-ped to allow the municipal committee to present an address of welcome. At 8 clock a state dinner will be given at the government house, at which only gentlenen will be present, and after dinner the prince will drive to Montgomery Hall, where he will hold a formal reception of the Punjab durbaris.

Ceremonial Visits.

On Wednesday, November 29, the Prince of Wales will receive ceremonial visits with full honors from the Punjab chiefs, As each chief will have the privilege of making his visit alone, the visit will occupy the whole time between breakfast and lunch. After lunch a visit will be paid to the Dufering Hospital, and at night there will be a small dinner party, to be followed by a drive out to the far-famed Shalimar Gardens, where there will be gorgeous il-

On Thursday, November 30, the Prince of Wales will ceremonially return the visits of eight of the Punjab chiefs. In the afternoon the Princess of Wales will attend a purdah party, and later a formal visit will be paid to the Altchison's College. After a state dinner at the government bouse a state dinner at the government house a grand ball will be given at Montgomery Hall. This will be the most brilliant public

function of the entire visit.

On Friday, December 1, the prince and princess will visit the fort and will probably extend the morning outing to other monuments of interest. A grand garden party will be given in the afternoon, and after dinner the revent determines the control of the contro after dinner the royal visitor will leave Lahore for Perhauer.

Their royal highnesses, after their trip to the northwest frontier and to Jasmu, will arrive at Amritzar on Wednesday morn-ing December 6, and after breakfasting in the train will receive at the railway sta-tion the principal local officers, each of whom will be informally presented. From the railway station their royal highnesses will drive to the Khalaa College, the center of Sikh education in India, and on returning to the station will lunch in the train.

Drive to Golden Temple. In the afternoon a drive to the Golden Temple will be the principal event, followed by a tea in the Ram Hagh. The royal party will leave Amritzar at 6 p.m., dining on the

The dates of the visit to Burma of their royal highnesses have been definitely fixed according to a note issued by the local vernment to the press. The arrivals at Rangoon on January 1 5and Mandalay on January 16 will be public. Other arrivals and departures will be private. The royal visitors will arrive at Promo from Mandalay on January 20, returning again to Ram-geon on the 21st.

WOOD ENGRAVING A VANISHING ART

Special Cablegram to The Star.

LONDON, September 25 .- The death of Mr. Edmund Evans in his eightieth year has called attention to the disappearance of the last of the best known of the old style of color printers. Mr. Evans was an artist who relied on the fine effects of the wood engraving, and he worked before photography and the mechanical processes provided the bulk of illustrations for books and pictoral magazines.

Commercially, wood engraving has been left far behind, and it looks as if it may become one of the lost arts. Color print Following upon the earlier prints from steel or coppor plates came the engraving which was colored by hand. This was a tedious as well as a costly process. One proof per day was the average turn out. There was the disadvantage that hardly ever did the artist get two proofs alike Thus it is that we find the prices realized for old proofs at Christie's frequently show a wide disparity. One picture may fetch as much as \$250, and another from the same plate might be bought for a tenth of

The hand work was followed by the prin obtained from a good engraving, and then came lithography. The chromo has held sway until recent times, but the three-color process is threatening it with extinction. Although the idea of three primary colors is old, having been discovered by a Frenchman in the early part of the last century, the practical working of ft is of compara-tively recent date. The results obtained from an artistic point of view are far in advance of anything which the lithographic

artist can produce. Can't Compete With English.

Sir A. Conan Doyle at a recent meeting of Raphael Tuck & Co. declared that Germans and Americans have as yet been unable to compete with the English in the threecolor process. The best class of the productions of Raphael Tuck & Co., he declares, are printed in this country and it is only the cheaper series of their goods that are sent to Germany to be printed. Quite recently large publishers sent orders to Germany for the preparation of a number of blocks by the three-color process for the illustration of a well-known work. The German firm sent the orders to London to be executed and the blocks were pictures were printed they were marked, "Made in Germany," which was only half

the truth. A large number of blocks have been made for the National History Museum and for national history societies in India and farther India. One notable piece of work

Cumulative Offenses.

The case of Private George H. Crawford, a member of the band of the 10th Infantry, at Fort Lawton, Wash., is somewhat remarkable in the history of the army. He was convicted by court-martial of speaking disrespectfully and contemptuously of the flag of the United States, and sentenced to be dishonorably discharged, to forfeit all doubted whether, but for the commanderin-chief's criticism upon Prince Buelow's
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his appointment for an indefinite period.

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Bon Marche Fete d'Automne.

Every Autumn Opening shows a marked improvement in the store and stocks our experience is wider and the world's products better. It's the harvest time with us now, and we have made it golden in the good things accumulated for you. We enter this season confident of your approval and patronage. Our method of turning over the best grades of merchandise at the smallest percentage of profit year after year has placed the Bon Marche on the secure foundation—The People's Favor.

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Of course, you know what to expect at this store on opening occasions like this—the best Hats, most exclusive styles and largest varieties, more attractively priced than anywhere else in town. We began this business with millinery, and have kept it up to the highest standard. This you know, and it would not be necessary to talk further, EXCEPT WE WANT TO EXTEND YOU A MOST CORDIAL INVITATION TO THIS STORE today, Tuesday and Wednesday. Our Hat exhibit will afford the public an unusual opportunity to see the best products of European and American milliners. Our immense show room is indeed A VERY BRILLIANT SCENE.

Just a Word About Styles

"This is the motor age, and it seems that fashion has ordained that motoring styles shall rule—hats so trimmed that the wind shall keep them stroked, not ruffled; and, after all, they are very sensible. Of course, in this great stock beauty motifs are taken from many periods—there are COLONIAL and EMPIRE and HENRY II, and all sorts of fashion motifs worked in, but in

And a Cost Suggestion.

every hat you'll see the tendency has been to build it like a bird. Trimmings are either protected under shell-like brims or arranged to fly straight back." The price, of course, is very important, and this stock affords all an opportunity to wear the richest and most becoming hats for very little cost.

Opening Display Suits, Coats, Waists and Furs

This fall's display is the most elaborate we have ever made, and the garments are so lowpriced that they are within the means of the most economical. We want to emphasize a few important points in the make of our garments—they are constructed over models perfectly shaped, out of the best all-wool fabrics, thoroughly shrunk in piece, and by the best man tailors.

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Autumn Styles in Children's Wear.

We have not forgotten the little folks. Extra preparations in this department will make it unusually interesting to mothers. Everything new and beautiful in the way of infants' and children's wear. Special attention may be called to the great variety of coats, sizes 2 to 6 years—Bearskin, Astrakhan, Chinchillas, Broadcloths and Cheviots—all very low-priced......Second Floor.

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We would like to see all our Old Friends and want to make New Friends for the store-plenty of them. A splendid welcome and many special pricings in all departments await you.

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NEW BLUE BEARD A BASE IMITATOR

Special Cablegram to The Star. LONDON, September 25 .- Great Britain, like the United States, has its George Witzkoff, the man charged with marrying, rob, bing and deserting many wives, and who is said to have formed a syndicate for the purpose of carrying out his matrimonial plans. Witzkoff appears to have been only imitating a famous English criminal now serving a long sentence for his heartless crimes. Having numerous aliases, this Englishman is known to the police merely by his Christian name "Joseph" or "Joe."

"Joseph," said the detective sergeant wno last arrested him, "had his own syndicate or corps of assistants, with whom he divided his plunder. One always acted as introducer, inserting matrimonial advertisements and posing as a legitimate matrimenial agent. The second was the best man, who told confidential stories of Joseph's wonderful prospects and arranged, if necessary, all the details of a secret marriage; and the third, perhaps the cleverest of the lot, played the part of Joseph's angry father.

Role of Angry Father.

"It was the business of the angry father to appear on the scene as soon as the marriage was completed and the pair were leaving the church, surrounded by their friends. Catching sight of 'Joe' and his bride, the old man would hobble up-he was always on the point of dying—and, shaking his fist, would say: 'You villain! So this is where you are, eh? Getting married? Not one single penny of my money shall you ever have. "To prevent further scene the best man

at this point would drag the old man away to a hotel. Returning later to the wedding party the best man would picture the rage of the elderly father and his efforts to pacify him, winding up with an assurance that in a little while the old man would come around all right with the parental blessing and a handsome income for Joe.
"While they were waiting for the income 'Joe' nearly always managed to realise up-on his wife's property and again on her. How many women he really deceived and married we cannot say. We do know that he has served several terms for his crimes, and that his convictions have been based on investigations into dozens of cases. In some cases he succeeded in marrying wealthy girls and obtaining possession of thousands of dollars."

AN ALPINE HERMIT

Found by Climbers on the Bavarian Special Cablegram to The Star.

GENEVA, September 25.-A hermit has been discovered in the Alps by a Bavarianclimber, while climbing the Scesaplana mountains on the Swiss-Austrian frentier. During the descent the Bavarian was overtaken by a storm and took shelter from the rain beneath an overhanging rock. Hearing a slight noise near him he looked around and saw a man's head covered with pay and allowances and to confinement at hard labor for two years. He was subsequently convicted by the same court of desertion, unlawful entry of a private dwelling and larceny of clothing, and for these was a sentenced to be confined at the part and around his waist be wored with heir and around his waist be wored.

hand he carried a long stick. When he was induced to talk the man said he did not remember how long he had lived in the mountain cave-it was many, many years. "I have no name, no relations, no friends," knows my secret and if you divulge it, be-

ware! Now go."
At a village at the foot of the mountain the Bavarian learned that the hermit went down on rare occasions in the winter to

THE LATEST PRODIGY.

German Boy Paints Pictures Like a Special Cablegram to The Star.

HAMBURG, September 25 .- The latest prodigy in Germany is Paul Adametz, a boy of thirteen, the son of poor parents living in Hamburg. He is a born artist, and his drawings and paintings have excited the admiration of connoisseurs. Before his tenth year he was drawing from nature with marvelous technical skill and fidelity. He is a fair boy of middle size, with dark eyes and a very intelligent expression. He very serious and cares little for playing with his school fellows. All his spare time is spent in drawing and painting, his studio being a small attic in his parents' house. With a few bold strokes he produces a drawing, which, while not without faults, holds forth great promise. Sketches of the shipping in the harbor, types of people seen in the town and along the wharves are full of life and observation. No one would imagine them drawn from life by a boy of ten or eleven years. Though the father, who is a coal miner, is absolutely devoid of artistic leaning, several of the elder children in the family have manifested artistic instincts. The parents are too poor to provide proper training for the boy, but a few

generous benefactors are helping them. Greatest Labor Order Planned.

Special Cablegram to The Star. LONDON, September 25 .- If the course of political propaganda runs smooth, the "entente" of labor, which is regarded as the prelude to an imperial labor federation. may yet be an accomplished fact. Within the near future the "world of labor" is to discuss the proposed tour of the British empire by English labor representatives. All representative labor organizations have been approached upon this subject, but there are three great labor organizations whose consent is regarded as necessary to the success of the scheme. They are the labor representation committee, the parliamentary committee of the Federation of Trades Unions and the parliamentary committee of the London Trades Council. Other bodies have been approached, and the proposal is being privately discussed at Henley, where the trades union leaders

meet.

To Mr. J. Ramsay Macdonald, the labor candidate for Leleester and secretary to the labor representation committee, belongs the whole credit of initiating the epochmaking idea of a labor world tour, and should the labor party give their formal ratification to the scheme, on him will devolve the duty of mapping out the plan of campaign.

Mr. Macdonald's Views. In an interview explaining matters Mr Macdonald said: "The whole scheme is part of the new

novement in the labor party-the forward policy-and the idea is now for the first time within the sphere of practical politics. "My proposal is briefly this: That the representative labor organizations acting in concert should select a number of labor leaders to confer with the labor party in the labor party in

chosen.
"Members of parliament where possible tive capacity.' Among those who have been selected for the post have been mentioned Mr. Arthur Henderson, Mr. Will Crooke, Mr. D. J. Shackleton and Mr. Kier Hardie.

TARTAR-ARMENIAN AGREEMENT. Safety of Life and Property Guaran-

According to a cable dispatch from Raker a preliminary peace agreement between the Tartars and the Armenians has

been signed. A conference of representatives of the Armenians and Tartars, under the presidency of Prince Louis Napoleon, governor general of the Caucasus, has just been concluded, during which the principal conditions of an entente were agreed upon. The conference decided to summon a general congress representing the inhabitants of the Caucasus to meet in October, for the purpose of considering the

ambassadors is yet a matter to be decided.
"I can say," added Mr. Macdonald, "that ference resolved to urge upon the government the necessity for the adoption of measures to insure the safety of even more important, can speak in the prompt measures to insure the safety of name of a large section of labor, will be life and property, and arranged that Armenians and Tartars shall become mutually responsible for all material damage in the event of a massacre or pillage by either side until January, 1907. Ten Armenians and ten Mussulmans, all very wealthy, undertook to guarantee the

strict observance of the agreement.
The conference also resolved to form an arbitration court, to consist of five Ar arbitration court, to consist of five Ar-menians and five Tartars, which will draft the details of the agreement and remove any difficulties that may arise. The agreement will become effective Oc-

Street Droshkies Doomed.

Special Cablegram to The Star. BERLIN, September 25 .- Berlin is within measurable distance of the disappearance of its characteristic street droshkies. These vehicles evidently cannot compete with the improved means of communication afforded by the street cars, and now by the rapidly increasing motor cars. Two years ago there were over ten thousand droshkies plying in the streets of Berlin. According to the police statistics this number has now fallen to 7,404. During the past three months over seven hundred horse droshkies have disap-

